

AMENDMENT TO THE ABSTRACT**ABSTRACT**

Described is an apparatus ~~(10)~~ for the production of transversely ribbed tubes comprising mold jaw halves ~~(16)~~ which are movable in a condition of bearing against each other along two guide ~~paths~~ ~~(14)~~. The guide paths ~~(14)~~ have a common mold section ~~(18)~~, a respective return section ~~(20)~~ and two respective direction-changing sections ~~(22; 24)~~. The respective direction-changing section ~~(22; 24)~~ has a direction-changing member ~~(26; 28)~~ which is linearly movably guidedly arranged on a base element ~~(38)~~ fixed with respect to the machine and which is connected to a compensating device ~~(42)~~ which is provided to compensate for the tolerance play of the mold jaw halves ~~(16)~~ which circulate along the associated guide path ~~(14)~~, said tolerance play being dependent on the temperature and/or the speed of the mold jaw halves ~~(16)~~.